

**Springfield Regional Human Rights Authority
Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2014**

Members Present:

James Bakunas, Vice Chairperson
Tara Dunning, Secretary
Javed Irshad, Member
Donna Lynn, Chairperson

Absent:

Annie Brooks, Member
Linda O'Rourke, Member

Staff Present:

Michael Pintar, Coordinator
Jon Burnet

Guests:

Debbie Weiner
Justine Pintar
Jan Little

Call to Order:

Chairperson Donna Lynn recognized that a quorum was not met and called the regular meeting of the Springfield Regional Human Rights Authority to order at 6:07 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22, 2014. The meeting was held at Lake Pointe Grill in Springfield, Illinois. Welcome and introductions were made.

Confidentiality Statement:

The Coordinator read the confidentiality statement which indicates that personally identifiable information will not be presented in public meetings in order to protect the privacy of those disabled persons on whose behalf the HRA conducts investigations.

Changes to the Agenda:

Chairperson Lynn reviewed the agenda and asked for any changes or corrections. Hearing no requests for changes to the agenda, it was accepted as presented.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of February 25, 2014 were distributed and reviewed.

MOTION: A motion was made by Bakunas and seconded by Lynn to approve the minutes of February 25, 2014 as written.

Communications:

Mike Pintar introduced Jon Burnet who will be replacing Pintar upon Mike's retirement at the end of April.

New Complaints:

Pintar discussed two possible new cases which involved a doctor refusing service to a male, approximate age 40, with a history of mental illness. Since there is little information on this complaint at this time, it will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Closed Session: A motion was made by Dunning and seconded by Bakunas to enter into closed session at 7:25 p.m. pursuant to Section 721 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act and Section 42 of the Open Meetings Act to discuss confidential and potentially identifiable information. Motion passed and the committee went into closed session.

Draft Reports of Findings:

Written reports were not available at the time of the meeting, however, all three cases were unsubstantiated. Written reports will be emailed to the members for review.

14-050-9002 – unsubstantiated

14-050-9003 – unsubstantiated

14-050-9011 – unsubstantiated

Case Closures:

14-050-9015 – A response has been received and this case can now be closed and made public.

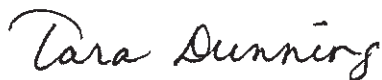
Open Session: A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Dunning to come out of closed session at 7:33pm.

A motion was made by Dunning to accept the reports on cases 14-050-9002, 14-050-9003, 14-050-9011 as written. The motion was seconded by Bakunas.

A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Irshad on case #14-050-9015 to accept the response, close the case and make public.

Adjournment: Upon a motion made by Dunning and seconded by Lynn, the meeting of the HRA was adjourned. The next meeting date will be Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tara Dunning, Secretary



Date Approved